CHAPTER *V*

ROGER AHD THE SECOND **CRUSADE**

THE Ariano day saw Roger surrounded with the full glory of a King; finally victorious over the barons and the towns, whose long resistance had been backed by the two great forces of Europe, the Empire and the Roman Church, and the sea powers of th© north*, able, for the first time, to give one law and one administration to the whole kingdom, In the last ten of Ms life he takes a prominent the of Europe, and displays in foreign affairs a vigour as great as he had shown in his native policy,

It was the ever-burning question, of the Holy Land which, after the investiture occupied the minds of the religious of the West. Only a short of glory and security had rewarded the valour and

of Godfrey, Bohemund, Raymond, and the of the .First Crusade, The kingdom of Jerusalem, the principalities or counties of

Antioch, and Tripoli, had scarcely had to. root, when the balance of victory

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